

SENATE BILL No. 93

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-28-11.

Synopsis: Health facility sprinklers for fire safety. Requires certain health facilities to have automatic fire sprinkler systems before July 1, 2012. Provides that if a system is not installed before July 1, 2010, a plan for completing installation must be submitted to the health facilities council. Requires the state department of health, in the department's consumer guide to nursing homes, to disclose whether each health facility has smoke detectors in its residents' rooms and to disclose certain information about the smoke detector systems in health facilities having those systems. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on public health and safety matters.)

Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-28-11-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2007]: **Sec. 5. (a) A health facility licensed under this article as a**
4 **comprehensive care facility must do the following:**

5 (1) **Have an automatic fire sprinkler system installed**
6 **throughout the facility before July 1, 2012.**

7 (2) **If an automatic fire sprinkler system is not installed**
8 **throughout the health facility before July 1, 2010, submit**
9 **before July 1, 2010, a plan to the state department for**
10 **completing installation of the automatic fire sprinkler system**
11 **before July 1, 2012.**

12 (b) **The state department shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to**
13 **implement this section.**

14 SECTION 2. IC 16-28-11-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
15 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
16 1, 2007]: **Sec. 6. The state department shall disclose, in the state**
17 **department's consumer guide to nursing homes, whether a health**



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1 facility is:

- 2 (1) fully;
- 3 (2) partially; or
- 4 (3) not;

5 equipped with sprinklers.

6 SECTION 3. IC 16-28-11-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
7 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
8 1, 2007]: **Sec. 7. The state department shall disclose the following**
9 **information in the state department's consumer guide to nursing**
10 **homes:**

11 (1) Whether each health facility has:

- 12 (A) battery operated;
- 13 (B) hard wired; or
- 14 (C) no;

15 smoke detectors in its residents' rooms.

16 (2) If a health facility has hard wired or battery operated
17 smoke detectors in its residents' rooms:

- 18 (A) whether the smoke detectors provide a visual and
- 19 audible signal at the nurses' stations that attend each
- 20 room;
- 21 (B) whether the smoke detectors transmit to a central
- 22 station service; and
- 23 (C) whether the smoke detectors connect to the health
- 24 facility's fire alarm system.

25 SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] (a) As used in this
26 SECTION, "commissioner" has the meaning set forth in
27 IC 16-18-2-340.

28 (b) Notwithstanding IC 16-28-11-5, as added by this act, the
29 state department of health shall implement IC 16-28-11-5, as added
30 by this act, under interim written guidelines approved by the
31 commissioner.

32 (c) This SECTION expires on the earlier of the following:

- 33 (1) The date rules are adopted under IC 16-28-11-5, as added
- 34 by this act.
- 35 (2) January 1, 2009.

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